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PRICE TEN CENTS

ALASKA STEAMSHIP CO. TO BE TAKEN OVER BY UTAH COPPER CO.

DEAL RUNNING HIGH IN THE
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Whereby the Utah Copper Company
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Special Cablegram to the Sentinel

SEATTLE, Jan. 10.—Negotiations are in progress looking to the purchase by the Utah Copper Company, of which Col. D. C. Jackling is manager, of the Kennecott Copper Corporation's entire holdings in Alaska, including the Alaska Steamship company.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 10.—The purchase, which Col. D. C. Jackling admits is being "talked about," of the Kennecott Corporation with all its Alaska holdings, including the Alaska Steamship Company, by the Utah Copper Company, is a big deal reported as being worked out by Morgan and the Gugenheims, which would mean the ownership and control of properties estimated to be worth four hundred and fifty million dollars.

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CANADIAN PACIFIC

Has Made All Plans for the Proper Care of Both Freight and Passenger Business to and from the North in 1917

Ever mindful of the transportation needs of the residents of Alaska and the Yukon Territory the Canadian Pacific Company have made all plans for the proper care of both freight and passenger business to and from the North during 1917.

One can leave Hongkong or Shanghai in China, travel across the Pacific to Vancouver, make a side trip to Alaska, proceed on across Continent by rail, mostly double track, then on across the Atlantic to Liverpool or London without leaving the rails or the steamships of the Canadian Pacific. This is the Company that has recently appointed Mr. F. Matheson as their Wrangell representative who is in a position to route passengers or freight from or to any point desired and check passengers baggage to any destination. The splendid steamship Princess Sophia will operate continuously until the end of May, when the service will be augmented by the addition of the steamers Princess Alice and the Princess Charlotte. The Princess Ena, freighter, will take care of coal, livestock, explosives and any freight not taken care of by the other steamers mentioned. Notwithstanding the tourist business in Summer Months, the Canadian Pacific Co.'s Agents in S. E. Alaska will hold definite allotment of staterooms on each Princess

Steamer and thus be able to handle the local business offering.

Special attention may be drawn to the fast times now being made in the movement of freight from points in the Eastern and Central States to Alaska. Shipments have recently been moved from Chicago to Juneau in fifteen days via Vancouver and the Princess Steamers at the lowest rates in effect by any other route.

The Canadian Pacific Company have set the pace in service for the last seventeen years to S. E. Alaska, this Winter for the first time such a fine steamship as the Princess Sophia will be kept in service all Winter, the present fortnightly sailings being continued until February, when a ten day schedule will be maintained, leaving Wrangell Southbound Thursdays and Sundays alternately.

ILLUSTRATED LECTURE AT GYMNASIUM NEXT WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Brigadier J. McLean, Divisional Commander of British Columbia, Alaska and the Yukon, will visit Wrangell on Tuesday and Wednesday, January 16 and 17.

On Tuesday evening he will conduct a public meeting in the Army Hall, and on Wednesday evening he will deliver an Illustrated Lecture. Subject: "From Newfoundland to California," in the St. Philip's Gymnasium at 8 o'clock. Admission, 10c.

The public are cordially invited to attend.

D. M. McDonald, N. Nelson, and R. Jensen arrived from Petersburg Saturday.

White House To Be Picketed By Suffragettes

Special Cablegram to The Sentinel.
WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Suffragettes, after a futile appeal to President Wilson for his support of the Anthony amendment, have announced plans of retaliation whereby the White House will be picketed with "silent sentinels." They propose to make it impossible for the president to enter or leave without encountering a sentinel bearing a device pleading for the suffrage cause.

LOGAN BILLINGSLEY DEMANDS IMMUNITY FOR HIS BROTHERS

Special Cablegram to The Sentinel.
SEATTLE, Jan. 10.—Logan Billingsley is demanding that his brothers, Frederick and Ora, be granted immunity as the price of his pleading guilty. Billingsley contends that his brothers are as much entitled to immunity as that granted E. J. Margrett.

Juneau Standard Oil Agent Is Arrested On Embezzlement Charge

Special Cablegram to The Sentinel.
SEATTLE, Jan. 10.—Frank E. Bradley, Juneau agent of the Standard Oil Company, was arrested today on a charge of embezzling funds of the company.

Hi Gill Expects To Be Indicted by Federal Grand Jury

Special Cablegram to The Sentinel.
SEATTLE, Jan. 10.—Mayor Hi Gill announced today that he believed that the Federal Grand Jury would indict him.

Washington's Birthday To Be Celebrated By Wrangell Firemen

Will Give Grand Ball in Commemoration of Birth of the Father of His Country

There was an interesting meeting of the Wrangell Fire Department Monday night. In addition to the regular routine several matters of new business were taken up.

A motion prevailed that the Town Council be petitioned to build a fire hall, and also erect a suitable tower for drying hose.

A disbursement of \$45.75 was made to cover the last three fires and the amount distributed among the members.

Chief Carlson reported that the fire hydrant near the Sentinel office was frozen.

Chief Carlson reported that he and Mr. Katzenmeyer had made an inspection of the stove pipes for the south side and found some in very bad condition, especially among the Natives.

It was voted to hold a grand ball on Washington's birthday. The following dance committee was appointed: Harold Dugan, Ed La Bounty, Ernest Campbell, L. A. Olsen and N. Nussbaumer.

The following were appointed a committee on firemen's badges, Chief Carlson, F. E. Gingrass and Ed La Bounty.

Following the meeting there was a most enjoyable lunch. A bushel or two of succulent shrimps, together with the usual accompaniments were consumed.

The formal adjournment took place at 9 o'clock, but it was near midnight when the members dispersed.

UNCLE JOHN FINLAYSON PASSES AWAY

Was the Oldest Man in Alaska—Possibly Oldest in World

LIVED MORE THAN ONE HUNDRED YEARS

Remembered the Battle of Waterloo—Was Born in Scotland

John Finlayson, the oldest man in Alaska, possibly the oldest man in the world, passed away in Wrangell at 1:15 Sunday afternoon. The exact age of Mr. Finlayson was not known, but there is scarcely any doubt that he had lived at least 106 years. He remembered the battle of Waterloo which occurred 102 years ago.

John Finlayson was born near Strathpeffer in Rossshire in the north of Scotland. At an early age he was indentured as an apprentice at the tailor's trade. He worked as a journeyman tailor in the city of Glasgow for several years previous to the enactment of the Reform law in 1832.

In 1849 Mr. Finlayson was lured from his native land to America by the discovery of gold in California. When he reached the gold fields the excitement had somewhat subsided, and he remained there but a short time. He is known to have been in Canada as early as 1853.

In commenting upon his death, Fred Lynch said: "I first knew John Finlayson in the Frazer River country in 1858. He was an old man then. Even at that time his hair and beard were gray. I also knew him in the Caribou country, and in the Casiar, and in other places in Canada. I never knew him to work a day for any one else. In this respect he was a typical prospector. He never made any big stakes, but generally had all the money he needed in order to get along. He was not a man to mingle much with his kind. His attitude towards his fellow beings over fifty years ago was very little different from what it was the last few years of his life here in Wrangell."

In the Casiar country in 1874 Mr. Finlayson met Duncan McKinnon, a fellow countryman. A year later Mr. McKinnon came to Wrangell and engaged in the mercantile business. In 1887 Finlayson came to Wrangell and made his home with the McKinnons, and as time went on he became very much attached to the family.

Mrs. McKinnon died in September, 1899, and Mr. McKinnon passed away in January, 1900. After their death Mr. Finlayson seemed to feel that the responsibility for the welfare of the McKinnon children rested upon him. Miss Etolin McKinnon was married several years ago, and is now residing in Scotland. John McKinnon is at present a resident of Wetaskiwin, Alberta, Canada. But the absence of John and Etolin from Wrangell did not cause them to grow out of the life of Mr. Finlayson. His in-

Harry Kendall Thaw Arrested in New York On Kidnapping Charge

Special Cablegram to The Sentinel.
NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—Harry Kendall Thaw, the slayer of Stanford White, was arrested today charged with kidnapping Fred Gump, aged 19, from Kansas City, then assaulting him in a room in a New York hotel.

RUSSIAN PREMIER RESIGNS; SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED

Special Cablegram to The Sentinel.
LONDON, Jan. 10.—Russian Premier Alexander Trepoff has resigned.

Special Cablegram to The Sentinel.

PETROGRAD, Jan. 19.—Prince Golitzine, a senator member of the Council of the Empire, has been appointed premier to succeed Trepoff.

NEWLY MARRIED MAN TAKES HIS OWN LIFE

Special Cablegram to The Sentinel.
SEATTLE, Jan. 10.—Edward Tibbett, aged 21, recently married and sick in bed, committed suicide this morning by shooting himself while his wife was eating breakfast.

PETER McCORMACK GETS IMPORTANT NEWS FROM JUNEAU FIRST HANDED

Recently Mr. and Mrs. P. C. McCormack went to Juneau. Mr. McCormack returned alone. Tuesday he received the following cable message:

"Ronald Leonard McCormack, born at six this morning. Nine and one half pounds. All is well."

L. P. DAWES.
Nick Parsons came in from Shoemaker Bay Sunday.

Interest in them was keen to the last.

Mr. Finlayson knew nothing of his relatives. He had a brother who came to America, and who later enlisted as a soldier in the Civil War. He was never heard from after the war.

Over 30 years ago Duncan McKinnon wrote to the authorities in Mr. Finlayson's native town in an effort to learn the exact date of his birth. Mr. McKinnon received a reply stating that the records had been destroyed by fire, and that it was therefore impossible to give the information desired.

For some years past "Old Uncle John," as he was familiarly called, made his home in a cabin to the rear of the City Store, and was supported by Donald Sinclair. But Uncle John's attitude towards Mr. Sinclair was not that of a beneficiary towards a benefactor. He had been permitted to putter around in the store so long that he had come to feel that he was part of the establishment.

About a year ago Uncle John was granted a pioneer's pension of \$10 a month.

Uncle John was not a ladies' man. One of the remarkable things about his life was that he lived over a hundred years without any matrimonial entanglements. Last year a lady who was a stranger in Wrangell met Uncle John in the City Store and engaged him in conversation.

Owing to his great age she was interested in his past and asked questions concerning his early adventures in the north. Forgetting for the moment that it was leap year she asked him if he had ever married. He promptly replied: "Not yet."

Uncle John's hobby was fishing. Whenever the weather would permit he could usually be

ADMIRAL LINE HAS OPTION ON TWO BOATS

S.S. Great Northern and S. S. Northern Pacific Soon to be Green

TRANSFER MAY TAKE PLACE ANY DAY

Steamer Northern Pacific Now Running Between Frisco and Honolulu

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SEATTLE, Jan. 10.—Through Louis W. Hill, president of the Great Northern Railway, H. F. Alexander, has secured for the Pacific Steamship Company an option on the Steamships Great Northern and Northern Pacific, and can take them over any day he elects.

The S. S. Great Northern is now running between San Francisco and Flavel, Oregon.

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found fishing off the dock. Two years ago a halibut over eight feet long took his hook. He tied the line and got a row boat and went out by himself and brought in the halibut which was more than twice his own weight.

Uncle John's funeral was held in the Redmen's hall Tuesday forenoon and was largely attended by both whites and natives. The funeral service was conducted by Captain Robert Smith of the Salvation Army. The scripture lesson, the 90th Psalm, was read by the Rev. H. P. Corser. The songs used were: "O God, Our Help in Ages Past," "Nearer My God to Thee," and "Work for the Night is Coming." Miss Margaret Bronson was organist for the occasion.

The pall bearers were: H. D. Campbell, Charles Borch, Harry Wallace, Pat Lottus, Oscar Carlson, J. J. McTague.

Interment was made in the Wrangell cemetery, the body being buried alongside the graves of Mr. and Mrs. Duncan McKinnon. It was Uncle John who originally laid out the McKinnon plot in the cemetery, and with stakes and logs he marked off a place for a grave for himself also.

Uncle John was a man of remarkable vitality, and was in possession of his faculties to the last. He sat up in a chair less than two hours before his death. He had a good appetite and always ate heartily of wholesome food. He never suffered from indigestion. He was an inveterate smoker.

The death of John Finlayson removes from the scene of earthly activity one of the oldest men in the world. In the scriptures we are told that the allotted number of years of a man's life are three score and ten. Uncle John lived more than half again that number of years. It is reasonably certain that no one who knew him will ever have the privilege of knowing another man of his age. If the story of his life were written it would be a story of adventure and one that would read more like fiction than real life.

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MANY ASPIRANTS FOR GOV.

It seems to be generally believed among the Democrats that Major J. F. A. Strong will not seek a reappointment as governor of Alaska when his present term expires next spring. And what has been the result? Practically every prominent and near-prominent member of the party in power is a candidate for this high office. It is understood Judge Jennings, of the First division, is willing to resign from the bench, as is also Judge Bunnel, of the Fourth division, if they can land the gubernatorialship. John W. Troy, of the Juneau Empire, would not be adverse to having the lightning strike in his direction, while the Tanana valley has a score of willing Democrats who hanker after the job, among them being E. W. Griffin, the Cheena merchant. If the Third division is going to put forth a candidate we have not heard his name mentioned.

From the present indications it will be a free-for-all fight, but we have an idea that the fellow who has the support of National Committeeman T. J. Donohue, of Valdez, will have a little bit the best of the other fellows who have thrown their hats in the ring.—Cordova Times.

Marrying Crippled Soldiers

There were more marriages in England and France in the last two years than in a like period before the war. It has been found that women show no disinclination to marry maimed and crippled soldiers. Says a London dispatch:

"Men have come back from the front blind, helpless, many of them disfigured for life, and have found women willing to become their helpmates." It is said the figures show that the British women are perfectly willing to make sacrifices and marry the soldiers who have made their own sacrifices for their country and come home crippled and wounded. This is a very fine sentiment and would be good as long as it lasts, but one could imagine that in the end it would prove too great a sacrifice to a woman. The rule should be in this case, as in all others, that a man should be heroic enough not to marry a woman upon whom he would likely become sooner or later a heavy burden.—Columbus, Ohio, Journal.

An Odd Concrete House.

A summer house of concrete in a garden in one of the suburbs of Havana is built in imitation of a log and straw hut, and it is said that the illusion remains even after a close examination. To make the illusion more complete in parts of the fictitious timber trunks the artist has imitated the work of the teredo worms, and some of the pilars appear to be bored by them.

Appropriate Error.

"I have come," said the old subscriber, "to complain about your report of my daughter's wedding."

"What was the matter with it?" demanded the editor.

"Well, her name is Gratia, but you printed it 'Gratis'."

"That's not so bad. She was given away, wasn't she?"—Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph.

Both Prodigals.

A young wife remonstrated with her husband, a dissipated spendthrift, on his conduct. "Love," said he, "I am like the prodigal son; I shall reform by and by."

"I will be like the prodigal son, too," she replied, "for I shall arise and go to my father."—Exchange.

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Bobby—No, please, teacher; it wasn't because it was so hard to learn, but because it was so easy to forget.—Boston Transcript.

Pleasant.
"What did my ma say to you when you came in?" inquired Johnny to his friend who had come to tea.

"She said she was very pleased to see me."

"I'm glad," said Johnny in a relieved tone, "cos she said this morning she hoped you wouldn't come."—Stray Stories.

DOMES OF WASHINGTON.

Exquisite Beauty of the One on the Library of Congress.

Washington possesses an unusual number of domed buildings. The student or lover of architecture finds here not only great many but a great variety of domes. It is extraordinary that examples of all the domes of the favorite schools of architecture are grouped within the limits of this city. And such examples as they are! One of them alone would be sufficient domical adornment for even the nation's capital. Needless to say, the capitol dome is Washington's dome par excellence. Its size alone gives it pre-eminence, and its beauty ranks it among the great domes of the world. The framework of this dome is of iron and weighs nearly 9,000,000 pounds.

The keynote of its impressiveness is its massiveness. Its curving sides, encircling rows of columns, var-shaped windows and graceful segmental ornamentals will always be only adjuncts to its impressive feature—its size. In height the capitol dome reaches 287 feet into the air; its greatest diameter is 135 feet.

Washington's most beautiful dome surmounts the library of congress. This has a diameter of 100 feet, making it almost as large as that of the capitol, but offhand one would certainly say that it is a much smaller dome. This is due to its shape. The library dome is an Italian renaissance type and is a flattened spherical vault. It is built of stucco applied to a framework of iron and steel, filled in with terra cotta. The domed roof is sheathed with copper, and over this is laid the coating of gold leaf, twenty-three carats fine.

As far as ornamentation goes, this dome is the most exquisite in the United States. The interior walls are superbly painted and adorned with arabesques.

The National museum possesses a dome neither huge nor extremely ornate, yet it is one of the most pleasing domes to the architectural eye that is found in the city. It recalls the dome on the Pantheon at Rome. In the matter of contour they are quite similar.

This dome surmounts the hall which connects the three main divisions of the museum exhibit—the geological, ethnological and zoological.

It is constructed of tile, covered on the exterior with a fine quality of slate. Each row of this slate, from the outer edge of the dome to the eye at the top had to be exactly cut to fit the spaces.

At the same time the museum was being built, the astronomers at the observatory were called in consultation with the architects to calculate the measurements for the different pieces, as very intricate mathematical computations were necessary.—Washington Star.

Betel Nut Chewers.

Writing of the disgusting betel chewing habit, the United States consul at Siam says: "The green leaf of the betel pepper, smeared with red lime; tobacco, catechu and the areca nut make up the material used in betel chewing. This habit is quite universal among the Siamese, especially among the women. Siam does not produce enough betel nut for home consumption, but imports from India, Singapore and Java annually about 5,000,000 pounds."

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CLOTHES IN SARDINIA.

One Place Where Women Don't Have to Bother About New Styles.

Just as the girls of the various towns and provinces of Holland are to be distinguished by the peculiar form of their quaint headresses, so the girls of Sardinian villages are known by the combination of colors in their costumes. The women and children dress alike—full skirts, usually dark red; white waists with full sleeves and short bright red or bright blue jackets, open in front or laced around the waist. In some districts the pattern of the apron is the distinctive feature.

The styles never change among the women of Sardinia, who wear the native costume; so it repays the seamstress, the weaver and the embroidery expert to make garments that will last a lifetime and can then be handed down as heirlooms for rising generations.

Large white sleeves beneath the slashed sleeves of his jacket, a full, short, bright colored skirt and close fitting white trousers tucked into high boots or leggings constitute the typical attire of the men. In some districts of the island the men wear pointed cap resembling a Phrygian bonnet, long and narrow like a stocking, reaching almost to the waist. This point either is worn down over the shoulders or folded on top of the head and may be used as a pillow at night. It is apt to contain anything from bread to snuff, which is indispensable to the older men. A queer custom of some of the younger men is to let the hair on top of their heads grow often to fifteen inches in length and then roll it up into a puff, which looks like a pompadour, across the forehead.

A glimpse of a group of Sardinian shepherds, clad in their shaggy sheepskin mantles, which are supposed to ward off fevers, is enough to send a shudder down the spine of a stranger who has feasted upon the out of date tales of bandit ridden Sardinia, but the natives are harmless, and in spite of their bitter fight against heavy taxes and the relatively high cost of living they never annoy the tourists by begging, as do so many of the people of southern Italy.—National Geographic Magazine.

England's "Gospel Oaks."

At Polstead, Suffolk, there still exists a "gospel oak" which is over 2,000 years old. The oak has a girth of thirty-six feet, and, although the "gospel oaks" generally stood on the boundaries of parishes, this tree stands in the center of the village. "Gospel oaks" at one time studded the country, taking their names from the fact that they served as stations from which the Christian missionaries preached to the Angles and Saxons 1,300 years ago. Very few of the trees now remain, but in some cases it is possible to tell vaguely where they stood from the names given to places such as Gospel Oak.—Pall Mall Gazette.

Hard on the Music.

A court official was talking about a confession that had been garbled. "Why," he said, "the poor fellow was so badly shown up by all this garbling as the music in the amateur performance.

"In an amateur performance an actor had to rush on and say:

"Stop the music! The king is dead."

"The amateur, however, was so badly rattled that what he did say was:

"Stop the music! It has killed the king!"—Detroit Free Press.

A Geographical Possibility.

Scientists assert that additional islands are now forming in the China sea to the southward, extending toward Australia. It is a notable fact that all the continents of this earth extend to a point at the southern extremity with the exception of Australia. Australia tapers southward beneath the surface of the sea. Who can say but that Australia will some day become the southern point of another large continent, with the Philippines and Borneo forming the trunk?

Frozen Apples.

Apples and potatoes when frozen can be restored in good condition if they are thawed slowly. But when thawed rapidly they become flabby and soon decay. The carpets and other coverings we place over plants in winter do not prevent their freezing and thawing, but they do prevent their freezing and thawing too quickly; hence the benefit.

No Accident.

Little Elsie had been chastised for misbehavior.

"What's the matter, dear?" asked her grandma. "Did you have an accident?"

"N-no, grandma," sobbed Elsie; "it wasn't an-a-a-cident. M-mama did it on p-purpose."—Exchange.

Mark Twain Missed the Boat.

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A NEW ALASKA

Hidden away in the more intensely interesting news dispatches telling of the results of the election there was on Wednesday a brief story from Alaska that is strikingly significant of what may be expected in that country.

Briefly, the story was to the effect that several hundred homesteaders have arrived and settled in the section of country through which the United States government is building its railroad; that these settlers are prospering, and that indications favor a rapid increase of this class of newcomers.

Think of that! Homesteaders going to Alaska instead of gold hunters. It opens an entirely new conception of that country. It means that instead of stripping an unwilling land of its sole wealth and then abandoning it, men are finding that there is a continuous wealth in the agricultural possibilities of the country, and are going there to cultivate it and make it a continuously richer and more prosperous. It gives a notion of a new Alaska of vastly different style from that of former days.

Perhaps, too, there is another significance in this movement. Perhaps it is an indication that men are not today as insanely anxious for sudden wealth as they were in the '49 and Yukon days, but are better satisfied to be industrious and prosperous with certainty, without taking the risks and undergoing the hardships of the usually disappointed gold hunter. Perhaps.

Alaska has yielded up many millions in gold; now it may begin to yield even more millions in even more valuable products.—Duluth Herald.

Curious Labrador.

Dr. W. T. Grenfell describes Labrador as a land still hardly known beyond its borders. The cold current that flows along its shores from the north dominates its climate, and, notwithstanding that it is considerably farther south, it receives less continuous sunshine than Alaska, because its summer is shorter. The coldness of the soil and the dryness of the winds stunt many of its plants to such a degree that a larch growing at the southern end of Labrador which showed thirty-two annual growth rings was only nine inches tall, and its trunk was but three-eighths of an inch in diameter.

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The Fugitive Witness

Queer Way He "Broke Out" of Custody.

By WILLIAM H. HAMBY

It was an entirely new situation to Charley Mason. He had read of such things in stories, but he never had believed that real people encountered anything like it in real life—much less that he would.

It was new enough to him in two respects without being uncommon in real life. In the first place, he never had been within twenty hours of his own wedding before; in the second place, no other man had been engaged to a girl half so sweet and charming and altogether lovely as Macy Torrey, and then, in the third place, came the uncommon and almost unbelievable situation—what other innocent man in real life had ever been violently possessed by a sheriff at such a critical time?

But it had all happened simply enough. Wahoo county had an important case against the C. Q. and L. railroad. Mason was agent for the road at Belltown and was wanted as an important witness.

He had been subpoenaed for the next day, Thursday, but to avoid unnecessary risk he had planned to take the 5 o'clock train for Layton, where his bride to be lived. The relief agent had just been checked in, the boys had shaken hands with him, the dispatcher had clicked him "Good luck, Charley," and he had turned away to go to his room to dress when the sheriff stepped up and took him by the arm.

"Why—why—really," he began, when he saw it was not a joke, "I just can't go. You'll have to excuse me. You see"—he blushed—"I am to be married at 8 o'clock in the morning."

The sheriff grinned knowingly. He had heard all sorts of excuses before.

"It won't go," he said. "Nothing will go except your body."

As the captured witness was led away to the officer's buggy a picture stood vividly before his mind of the happy wedding party growing a little restless, then nervous and then uneasy as the clock hands tripped along toward 8. He saw the face of his lovely, happy bride as she waited, and then saw the mortification, the agony, the scorn in her face when the hour came and no bridegroom.

"And she is just the sort of girl," he reflected bitterly, "who would never forgive a fellow for being absent on his wedding day. Good intentions don't count with her; she believes in men who do not believe in impossibilities."

"Say, Mr. Sheriff," said Mason affably as they reached the buggy, "I acknowledge service all right, and you just leave me here to fix up things, and I'll be over in the morning in time for court."

"Not much." The sheriff grinned again. "The judge is wrathful. You dodged one subpoena, you know, and he said for me to hold on to you this time—and if you make an effort to dodge this time he'll throw you into jail for contempt of court. See?"

"Oh, yes, I see," answered the young man. The case did not seem hopeless yet, but mighty annoying. Doubtless the judge would let him off when he heard the circumstances, but it would make it a case of mad hurry to get back to Belltown in time for the 4 o'clock train next morning. It was seventeen miles overland to the county seat.

For several miles Mason argued and begged, but the sheriff only grinned. Very well, but he would wait until he saw the judge. But when they reached the county seat the judge was in a bad humor and refused to listen to the agent's excuse. Instead he turned to the sheriff with a peremptory "Officer, I hold you strictly responsible for the appearance of this witness in the morning; commit him to jail if necessary."

"He'll be in court in the morning, your honor," said the sheriff, with his exasperating grin.

The officer took him to the hotel and engaged a room on the top floor—a room with but one window and one door.

"I will leave you here a little while by yourself," said the sheriff, after he had inspected the window. "I don't think you want to get married badly enough to break your neck jumping out of that." It was a brick wall dropping sheer thirty feet to the ground. He went out and locked the door behind him.

In a few minutes a deputy sheriff came. "I am to stay with you to

night and keep off the nightmares," he said good naturedly.

Things began to look serious—very serious indeed. It was nearly 7 o'clock, the trains through the county seat made no connection with those through Belltown and Layton, and it was forty miles overland to the latter. Twelve hours more and the wedding guests would begin to arrive.

They were to be married at 8 and take a fast train for Colorado for the honeymoon. He had the pictures in his pocket.

They went down to supper. The deputy stayed close at his side, evidently intending that he should have no temptation to run. Despair thick and black was rapidly settling down upon the desperate bridegroom when a traveling theatrical company came into the dining room. It was the same troupe that had been at Belltown the previous week. Mason caught the eye of the leading man, with whom he had become acquainted, and they nodded cordially.

"An old friend of mine I used to know in the south," said Mason to the deputy. "If you do not object I would like to speak to him after supper."

"Sure," said the officer obligingly.

When they arose from the table Mason went across and gripped the actor's hand. They had a long, confidential chat which soon became so merry that the deputy sheriff wished that he could hear some of it. After the actor had gone to get ready for the performance Mason said to his guard:

"He would like to come up to my room and have a little visit after the play," said Mason to the deputy. "I suppose you don't object?"

"Certainly not."

The actor came in at 11:30, and the obliging deputy locked them in, asked the landlord to keep an eye on them and then went across the street to a barroom whence he could easily watch the outside window.

If he had looked through the keyhole instead of looking upward at a noncommittal lighted window thirty feet from the ground he would have saved himself much subsequent trouble.

The actor was laughing and doing something very queer for a man who had merely dropped in for a social visit. He was daubing and smearing Mason up generally with grease paints.

"You could break into any pesthouse in the country—if it wasn't too light and they didn't feel your pulse."

Mason rang for a porter and had the landlord called.

"Mr. Curry," called he through the door, "they locked me up because they thought I did not want to testify against the railroad, but I don't give a hang for the railroad. The reason I tried to get away is that I was exposed to the smallpox two weeks ago—some Mexican laborers working on our road—and I was trying to get away to see a specialist when the sheriff nabbed me. Since supper I feel like I am breaking out. I wish you would see."

"The dickens!" exclaimed the landlord, seeing a year's business killed by a quarantine. "Keep still till I get a key. I've had the smallpox myself and we'll see."

"Well, I should guess," said the landlord when he unlocked the door a few minutes later. The lamp was turned low, and the actor was in hiding under the bed. "You stay where you are till I get a team for you, then you scoot."

He scooted. At a quarter before 8 next morning he drove into Layton.

When court convened at 9 o'clock the judge received a telegram:

Married and on my way west for my health. Wire forgiveness and blessings to Denver. MASON.

A Broken Bone.

In case of an accident in which a bone is broken your first duty after notifying a surgeon is to provide support for the injured member in the form of an improvised splint. Flat pieces of board, as broad if possible as the limb and slightly longer than the broken bone, canes umbrellas—in fact, anything that will accomplish your end may be used. In adjusting these pads with any soft material that is at hand. Straw leaves or cushions made of grass may be used. Avoid any pressure on the injured part, cover it with a cloth and keep wet with clean cold water.

Moral Detraction.

The expressman had bought a horse, but after closing the deal he was not exactly satisfied with his purchase.

"There is just one thing I don't like about this horse," he said. "She won't hold her head up."

"Oh, that is only her blooming pride," said the dealer. "She will when she is paid for."—New York Times.

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Local and Personal.

Mrs. R. L. Cole of Klawock has returned from a week's visit to Juneau.

For the shave of satisfaction, go to Ed Grigwir's shop in the Ulmer Block.

F. Matheson was confined to his room with grippe several days this week.

The benefit dance given for the basketball team at the Rink Friday evening was a success socially and financially.

W. H. Warren, vice president of the Bank of Alaska, departed on the Princess Sophia last Friday night for a business trip to the States.

Born, To Mr. and Mrs. Nicholson of Petersburg, at the Wrangell Hospital, on Saturday, January 6, at 5:30 p.m., a son. Weight, eight pounds.

For quick, reliable service—Grigwir's barber shop in the Ulmer block.

For Sale—Gas boat and logging tools. A bargain if sold at once, inquire at Wrangell Steam Laundry.

St. Philip's Guild will meet with Mrs. C. G. Burnet Wednesday afternoon, January 17.

Mrs. Donald Sinclair has been confined to the house with grippe since the first of the year.

Try the new barber shop in the Ulmer block.

Wm. Ryan and Harry Eastman, two old sourdoughs from Wrangell, arrived here this week. They leave over the White Pass tomorrow for the Atlin country.—Skagway Alaskan.

Subscribe for The Sentinel.

NOTICE

Tax on dogs was due Jan. 1. Male dogs \$1.50, Female dogs \$2.00. Pay the same to Chas. Benjamin, Town Treasurer. By Order of Council.

A complete line of pipes at Patenaude's.

TWO MAYORS

Of Alaska's Two Principal Towns Go Outside On Princess Sophia

On her voyage south the Princess Sophia had on her passenger list two Alaskan mayors. Mayor B. D. Stewart of Juneau was a passenger en route to Washington. Mayor John G. Grant of Wrangell, accompanied by Mrs. Grant and Miss Margaret Grant were passengers en route to Seattle and Tacoma. Miss Grant will resume her studies at the Anna Wright Seminary. Mr. and Mrs. Grant will return to Wrangell in about three weeks.

The purpose of Mayor Stewart's visit to Washington is to cooperate with Delegate James Wickersham in an effort to secure an appropriation for Juneau, and to assist Col. W. P. Richardson in connection with the Gastineau Channel bridge project.

FORMER JUSTICE SUPREME COURT DIES AT MILO

Special Cablegram to The Sentinel.
MILO, Jan. 10.—A. Root, former justice of the supreme court, died here today of pneumonia.

BILLY WOODWORTH MANAGER COLISEUM

(Juneau Empire)

The Coliseum is now under the management of William Woodworth who will also perform on the pipe organ in the theater. Woodworth for some time has been the Alaska representative of the Universal Film company of New York and has taken many feet of the scenery in southeastern Alaska. Woodworth has quite a reputation as an entertainer and is proficient on the organ. In the management of the Coliseum he succeeds Frank Monroe, who left on the Prince Rupert for the south.

BIDWELLS GO SOUTH

(Petersburg Report)

Mr. and Mrs. George Bidwell, with their three children, who were visitors with E. E. Harvey and family at the Olympic mine since last spring, left last week for Wrangell, to take passage for Seattle and from there to their home in San Diego. Mr. and Mrs. Bidwell expect to come north again next May and take their launch Comrade to Seattle, from where it will be shipped to San Diego by steamer. The Bidwells greatly enjoyed their extended visit to the Northland. They had never before lived outside of the sunny South.

Mrs. F. Brustkern and Miss Esther Gilson arrived from Juneau this week and expect to leave on the Uncle Dan tonight for Klawock.

Mrs. J. A. Lindsay arrived from Juneau this week and expects to leave on the Uncle Dan tonight for Klawock.

Mrs. F. W. Lowle, general agent for Alaska for the C. P. R. has been in Wrangell all the week in the interest of his company.

Ingvald Bjorge, has bought from Jack Bjorge a corner lot near the residences of Donald Sinclair and J. E. Worden. As soon as the weather will permit he will have a house built on the property which he will occupy as a home. Ole Johnson will be the contractor.

There was quite a little storm in the bay Monday afternoon which lasted more than an hour. The floating dock of the Columbia and Northern broke loose and several piles were broken. A hundred dollars would probably cover the damage.

Another of those delightful monthly A. B. Socials occurred last evening at the Redmen's hall. Cards, music, dancing and refreshments. In the whist game prizes were awarded as follows: Ladies' first prize, Mrs. Roy Cole; ladies' second prize, Mrs. W. H. Warren; men's first prize, Arnt Sorset; men's second prize, Chas. Roose.

BASKETBALL AT JUNEAU

The sensation of the week has been the basket ball games at Juneau between the Wrangell team and the Gastineau Channel teams. The bulletins issued each day by the Sentinel have been eagerly sought.

First Game.
Alaska-Juneau 38
Wrangell 16

Second Game.
Wrangell 35
Juneau High 17

Third Game.
Wrangell 35
A.B.s 25
Another game tonight. More about tournament next week.

When you think of smoking material think of Patenaude's.

CARD OF THANKS

Owing to my long acquaintance with the late old John Finlayson, and the fact that I was in closer touch with him than any one else for several years prior to his death, I wish to give an expression of thanks to the many kind friends who assisted in the funeral rites and solemnities.

DONALD SINCLAIR.

Learning to Reason

A cynic once said that the world was composed of millions of people, mostly fools. The reason, he gave, was that so few people use their reason. Without thinking a man gives up his position as a man. But is anything more needed than just reason to make a man? If so, what is it? That will be the theme at St. Philip's Church, Sunday evening, January 14. All are cordially invited.

Mrs. Byron to Leave.

Mrs. Byron will leave on the next southbound City of Seattle. At Ketchikan she will visit friends for a few days. At Seattle she will have a visit with relatives and friends and then proceed to San Diego. Mr. Byron, who left here for California three weeks ago, and who was unable to travel farther than Seattle, was taken to San Diego this week by his brother, Roy Byron of San Diego.

Human Greatness.

Contempt of all outward things which come in competition with duty fulfills the ideal of human greatness. This conviction, that readiness to sacrifice life's highest material good and life itself is essential to the elevation of human nature, is no illusion of ardent youth nor outburst of blind enthusiasm. It does not yield to growing wisdom. It is confirmed by all experience. It is sanctioned by conscience—that universal and eternal lawgiver whose chief dictate is that everything must be yielded up for the right.—W. E. Channing.

Origin of the Japanese Race.

The Japanese are a mixed race, sprung from Mongolian immigrants in prehistoric times and from an indigenous population, remnants of which are still found in the islands of Jezo and Sachalin. The prehistoric Mongolian ancestor probably migrated from the Chinese mainland through Korea. Modern ethnologists also attributed a share in the formation of the Japanese people to the Malay as well as the Mongolian races.

Greatest Storage Dam.

Uncle Sam's dam at Elephant Butte, N. M., cost \$5,000,000. For the quantity of water stored it is the greatest storage dam in the world, holding enough water to cover the entire state of Connecticut to a depth of ten inches. If set at the outlet base of the dam, the Washington monument, 555 feet high, would only rise above it a bare 200 feet.—Popular Science Monthly.

Buy Early

are words to conjure with this year with factory prices of staple goods going up again from 10 to 25 per cent, and the supply limited. We have been able to anticipate our wants at the old prices very liberally in Furnishing Goods, Shoes, Ammunition, Galvanized Hardware, Fishing Gear, Sheet Brass, Roofing, Canned Goods, etc.

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Agency Majestic Ranges, Imperial Gas Engines, Gray Motors, Clay Engines, Victor Talking Machines, Eastman Kodaks.

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THE ROUGHNECK

(Iditarod Pioneer)

The following paragraph in answer to a query was published in the Literary Digest recently:

Roughneck is a slang term for a tough or rowdy, such as a member of one of those gangs that at one time terrorized the people of the slums of New York or Chicago. The term is also used to denote a person who lacks manners or refinement, in contrast to one who has a good address and the appearance of culture, as, "Oh, he's a rough neck! In the Evening Post (New York) of August 17, 1903, we find the following: "His (Sam Parks) stated income amounts to union wages from his union of rough necks, as the iron-workers call themselves, as walking delegates." Also in "Colonel Crockett in Texas," published in 1836 we read: "You may be called a drunken dog by some of the cleanshirt and silk stocking gentry; but the real rough-neck will style you a jovial fellow."

In Alaska the term "rough-neck" has an appropriate meaning distinct from any of the above definitions. Far from being a term of reproach, it is in a large measure complimentary. It refers to that large class of Alaskans who, meeting and combating natural obstacles in an untamed wilderness, overcomes them and glories in the task. The Alaska roughneck may have been reared among refinement or luxury, or he may have been a product of the slums; but the trials and difficulties met with in the Northland lend that touch of nature which makes them all kin. The roughneck of today is apt to be the capitalist of tomorrow, and even then he is not ashamed of being designated as a "roughneck."

Fifty Dollars Reward

I will pay \$50.00 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons who burglarized my store on the evening of Wednesday, December 20.

CAPTAIN JINKS,

DELINQUENT TAX LIST

Wrangell, Alaska,
January 8, 1917.

Notice is hereby given that the following taxes out of the town tax roll of 1916 remained unpaid on Dec. 27th, 1916 and then because delinquent subject to collection with a penalty of 5 per cent additional together with legal interest from date of delinquency until paid.

Baronovitch Joe	\$6.50
Bell Geo.	4.50
Berkeley Mrs. E.	3.00
Billy Tabtan	3.50
Cape Fox Tom	1.00
Case T. J.	20.60
Cooney Chas.	3.00
Fletcher Wm.	4.00
George King	40
Herold Pearl	10.00
Jim Skookum	3.50
Jackson Jimmy	1.00
Jack Stikine	3.00
Jackson Ella	12.00
Jackson Louise	3.50
Kinsey Mrs. Tom	2.00
Kelly John	3.00
Knudsen Julia	4.00
Kush Nick	1.50
Lawrence A. H.	27.00
Moore Fred	1.00
Moore Mrs. Harry	1.00
Olson Mrs. Olaf	3.00
Reddy Flossie	5.00
Roxbury G. A.	4.00
Rosenthal Mrs. M.	5.80
Shakes Geo.	4.00
Scott Jim	1.50
Thomas Mary E.	12.00
Ukass (Estate)	2.00
Waring Bruce	4.00
Wigg Marcus	3.00
Wilmet Peter	2.00
Worthington Chester	4.00
Yacoo C. (Estate)	5.00
Standard Oil Co.	30.00

\$204.30

CHAS. BENJAMIN,
Treasurer Town of Wrangell.

WRANGELL NARROWS LIGHT REPORTED OUT

(Juneau Empire)

The local customs house was today notified that Point Lockwood Rock light No. 1, is reported to be out and adrift. The light belongs on a rock at the west side of Wrangell Narrows, near the southern end of the Narrows. It will be replaced as soon as practicable.

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